

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The invention is directed to beverages with improved flavor. The beverages are not sour and have a monoprotic acidulant with a pK_a of less than about 2.6 and/or a polyprotic acidulant with a pK_{a1} of less than about 2.6 and a pK_{a2} of less than about 3 or greater than about 6.